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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 12/01/2005, in the above-identified patent application, Applicant submits the following Amendments and Remarks. An RCE accompanies this response. Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered into the above-identified application and that the Examiner reconsider the grounds for rejection stated in the Office Action.



state value track. The above amendments to Claims 5 and 10 make it clear that the state value track is different from the incremental and absolute value tracks. The purpose of the state value track is to provide a mapping between the absolute position and some other variable used by the system connected to the encoder. Ohtomo does not provide any such teaching. Hence, Applicant submits that there are additional grounds for allowing Claims 5 and 10.

Regarding Claims 4 and 9, the Examiner has not pointed to any teaching in Ohtomo of a track constructed from a light sensitive reflective medium as claimed in these claims.

Hence, Applicant submits that there are additional grounds for allowing Claims 4 and 9.

The Examiner indicated that Claims 2 and 7 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. The above amendments provide the required redrafting of these claims.

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